

FILE: 62-73197

SUBJECT: SIR HARRY OAKES

COVER SHEET

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION/PRIVACY ACTS SECTION

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

SUBJECT Sir Harry Pakes
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THIS IS ENCLOSURE 1 OF 3 ENCLOSURE(S).

Memorandum for Mr. Tamm

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[redacted] stated [redacted] is working in [redacted] and can be easily located. He stated [redacted] has not mentioned this matter to anyone else. [redacted] asked to be advised what reference should be made of this information. (b)(7)

I instructed [redacted] to take no action whatever on this matter and stated we would determine here what disposition should be made of the information. (b)(7)

Respectfully,

A. Rosen
A. Rosen

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harm in interviewing
Greenwood.
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*called Sonny
8-2-43 and told
him ok. to interview
Greenwood.
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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR



Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

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AR:MP

August 2, 1943

Call: 10:50 AM
Typed: 3:45 PM

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. E. A. TAMM

Reference is made to my memorandum to you dated July 31, 1943, concerning a telephone call received from Special Agent [redacted] of the New York City Office, in which he furnished information obtained by him from [redacted]

[redacted] relative to the Sir Harry S. Oakes murder. In this connection, you will recall that Special Agent [redacted] stated one Alfred Greenwood, an ex-fighter and sparring partner of Jack Dempsey, might be able to furnish information concerning the murder of Sir Harry Oakes and suggested that Greenwood be interviewed.

While talking to ASAC T. J. Donegan on another matter, I instructed him to inform SA [redacted] that the Bureau sees no harm in interviewing Greenwood in this regard.



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New York 7, New York

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August 6, 1943

Director, F.B.I.

ATTENTION: Assistant Director Al Rosen

RE: SIR HARRY OAKES
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to telephone call made by Special Agent [redacted] to Assistant Director Al Rosen regarding alleged information in the hands of one GEORGE ALFRED GREENWOOD, concerning the murder of the above captioned individual, and to the subsequent telephone conversation on August 2, 1943 had between Mr. Rosen and Assistant Special Agent in Charge T. J. Donegan, in which permission was granted to interview GEORGE ALFRED GREENWOOD concerning any information which he might have relative to the aforementioned murder.

[redacted] was interviewed by Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted] and advised that one GEORGE ALFRED GREENWOOD, who was an old-time fighter and ex-sparring partner for JACK DEMPSEY, had on several occasions told him that he knew SIR HARRY OAKES, who was murdered in Nassau, and also knew that OAKES had attained great wealth through many shady dealings in Canada.

[redacted] stated that GREENWOOD was of the opinion that COUNT de MARIGNY did not kill OAKES, but that in view of OAKES' background it might have been committed by some of the big time mobsters with whom OAKES had previously been associated.

[redacted] stated that GREENWOOD had told him that he was in Canada when OAKES was first getting started, and knew OAKES at that time, and that during this period of time OAKES was engaged in



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smuggling Chinese persons in and out of the country for fees ranging from \$300 to \$500.

GREENWOOD had also told [REDACTED] that SIR HARRY OAKES also acquired many mineral rights in Canada by "clipping the unwary people of Canada who owned lands upon which valuable mineral deposits existed." In this manner GREENWOOD advised [REDACTED] SIR HARRY OAKES acquired a great many enemies.

[REDACTED] stated that GREENWOOD told him a short while before the OAKES' murder, that he, GREENWOOD, was trying to save enough money to make a trip to Nassau in order to renew his acquaintanceship with OAKES. Subsequent to the great publicity given to the murder of SIR HARRY OAKES, GREENWOOD told [REDACTED] he was surprised to note that the suspicion was pointed at a member of the family, since he did not believe the job was done by a member of the family.

[REDACTED] advised the agents who conducted the interview that GREENWOOD is a punchdrunk fighter who appeared to have been telling him the truth as far as he knew, and [REDACTED] stated that GREENWOOD had talked of OAKES for a long time prior to the appearance of all the publicity in the papers regarding the murder of OAKES. (b)(7)(C) (b)(7)(D)

The interviewing agents asked [REDACTED] if he would have any objection to an interview being conducted with Mr. GREENWOOD in order to get first-hand information concerning the aforementioned details furnished by [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] stated that he had no objection whatever. (b)(7)(C) (b)(7)(D)

An attempt was made to contact GEORGE ALFRED GREENWOOD, and from the Coast Guard at New York it was ascertained that he had received a Coast Guard pass, and the residence given thereon was 305 West 33rd Street, New York City. At this address it was found that GREENWOOD had never lived there, nor did anybody know a person of that description. Agents [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] thereafter canvassed the neighborhood, and at 309 West 33rd Street [REDACTED] advised that GEORGE ALFRED GREENWOOD died on July 23, 1943, and his body was discovered two days later in his room, and subsequently taken by the New York City Police Department to the Bellvue Morgue.

At the 14th Precinct Police Station advice was received that GEORGE ALFRED GREENWOOD died of natural causes, and nothing sus-

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picious was attached to his death, and that death occurred at 10 a.m. on July 23, 1943 in room #6 at 309 West 33rd Street, New York City. The age given for Mr. GREENWOOD was fifty-one years, and the examination conducted after death was made by Dr. RAVID, Assistant Medical Examiner, New York County.

This information is being furnished to the Bureau for whatever disposition is deemed fit.

Very truly yours,

E. E. Conroy
E. E. CONROY *Ch*
SAC

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
New York 7, New York

HOH:AND

September 2, 1943

Director, FBI

Re: SIR HARRY OAKES, Deceased
Nassau, Bahamas
MISCELLANEOUS, INFORMATION CONCERNING

Dear Sir:

There is set out below a verbatim report furnished to this office by G-2, Eastern Defense Command and First Army, Governors Island, New York, and is being passed on to you for any purpose it might serve.

*WAR DEPARTMENT
M.I.D.

Headquarters Eighth Service Command
Army Service Forces
Office of Director of Intelligence Division

(ID) 000.5 (Murder)

Dallas 2, Texas
12 August 1943
(Date)

Subject: Sir Harry Oakes (Deceased)
Nassau, Bahamas

Summary of Information:

This office is in receipt of the following information:

Several months ago subject passed through Brownsville, Texas on his way to Miami. His plane was delayed and while waiting he spent several hours with informant. The illness of subject's daughter was mentioned, and subject stated that, while his daughter's illness had been of a rather serious nature, the effects were not as serious as the probable ultimate effects of her marriage to an unscrupulous fortune hunter. He stated that this man, de Marigny, had married his daughter solely for the money which he hoped she would some day inherit. Subject said that he had no doubt that de Marigny would hasten events if the opportunity presented itself, but subject was not going to give him the chance. He seemed very bitter about the matter.



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Letter-Director

September 2, 1943

Re: SIR HARRY OAKES, Deceased

Nassau, Bahamas

MISCELLANEOUS, INFORMATION CONCERNING

"In view of later developments in this case, the opinion and attitude of the deceased may be material in this case.

Informant in this case is entirely reliable and is available to testify concerning information received direct from subject if desired."

For the information of the Bureau, it will be noted that the above memorandum was prepared by the Office of the Director of Intelligence Division, Dallas, Texas.

Very truly yours,

E E Conroy
E. E. CONROY, SAC

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice

Miami, Florida

August 13, 1943

Director, FBI

Re: ALFRED DE MARIGNY;
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Dear Sir:

There is enclosed herewith one photographic copy of an undated letter, postmarked Nassau, Bahamas, August 3, 1943, from [REDACTED] to [REDACTED]. Attention is directed to the fact that [REDACTED] of the letter are, [REDACTED] STEPHEN [REDACTED], who was murdered at Nassau, on the night of July 7, 8, 1943.

Attention is also directed to the second page of the letter, which reads in part as follows:

"I have just had a most distressing cable from [REDACTED]. Please believe me that it is of vital importance that you see him. My God, do you want us all to go the same way? You must divine the seriousness of this thing not only us but our country. You must see [REDACTED] immediately * * *."

Photographic copies of this letter were received from the local Censorship Station.

An endeavor was made to ascertain the contents of the cable received by [REDACTED] from [REDACTED]. From the Office of the District Cable Censor it was ascertained that on July 21, 1943, [REDACTED] received a cable from [REDACTED] stating "Unless unavoidably delayed will arrive Saturday."

On July 22, 1943, [REDACTED]

sent the following cable to [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] St

"Positive FRED DE MARIGNY not guilty until Stop. I am anxious that real truth [REDACTED] should be revealed Stop. If you cannot believe in me and keep your promise to aid me substantially must appeal to friends Stop. Must have impartial expert investigators immediately. I know I am acting [REDACTED] it is for us all Stop. This communication confidential cable to immediately my love"

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On July 25, 1943, [REDACTED] sent the following cable to [REDACTED]:

"Now more than ever certain ALFRED HARRIS innocent but
and without means to procure expert legal assistance Stop
I implore you [REDACTED] not to refuse
me financial aid [REDACTED]"

Stop Cable immediately whether you willing to help at this
critical phase of my existence the nature of which will
depend upon the outcome of this struggle Stop Otherwise I
will be obliged to make public my extraordinary predicament
Stop Love to all"

On July 26, 1943, [REDACTED] sent the following cable to [REDACTED]:

"I will defer any action on the contents of your cable
until completion of the preliminary hearing"

On August 2, 1943, [REDACTED] received the following cable from [REDACTED]:

"[REDACTED] advice suggest you come immediately with funds
please give no statement to press except as we discussed
call me from Pishri" (b) (7) c

This is undoubtedly the cable referred to by [REDACTED] in the intercepted
letter.

[REDACTED]

The above is being submitted to the Bureau as a matter of information
for possible future reference. Copy of this letter and enclosure are being
forwarded to the New York Office for its information.

Very truly yours,

A. P. Kitchin
A. P. KITCHIN, SAC

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Enclosure

cc: New York (Enc.)

Paul A. Zahl
Hoskins Laboratories
305 East 43rd Street
New York 17, N.Y.



Airmail

Mrs. Nancy de Marigny
Calle 16309, Vedado
Habana,
Cuba

NY 065430

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DIRECTOR

PUMP. ALFRED DE MARIGNY, INFORMATION CONCERNING. ATTORNEY GENERAL ERIC HALLINAN OF NASSAU THIS MORNING REQUESTED, THROUGH CAPTAIN MELCHEN OF THE MIAMI POLICE DEPARTMENT, THE BUREAU TO CHECK ITS FILES IN WASHINGTON AGAINST SUBJECT FOR ANY INFORMATION CONCERNING HIM. ATTORNEY GENERAL HALLINAN HAD RECEIVED CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION THAT THE BUREAU HAD CONDUCTED SOME INVESTIGATION IN THE PAST OF DE MARIGNY DURING WHICH SOME EVIDENCE WAS DEVELOPED INDICATING THAT DE MARIGNY HAD BEEN ENGAGED IN THE ILLICIT TRAFFIC OF DRUGS. DE MARIGNY IS PRESENTLY ON ~~TRIAL~~ TRIAL AT NASSAU FOR THE MURDER OF SIR HARRY RAKES. E X P E D I T E.

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 Mr. [signature]

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
OCTOBER 15, 1943

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

SAC, MIAMI

Transmit the following message to:
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AVAILABLE OUR FILES RE SUBJECT. INFORMATION CONCERNING
ALLACED ILLICIT TRAFFIC IN DRUGS WOULD BE IN POSSESSION
OF NARCOTIC BUREAU, TREASURY DEPARTMENT. NO FURTHER
INFORMATION AVAILABLE HERE.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR



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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

October 20, 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

By reference from your office, I spoke with [redacted] who advised that he was calling in behalf of [redacted]. He advised that [redacted] will be in Washington and had requested that [redacted] make an arrangement for him to see you, inasmuch as he has never met you. [redacted] stated he told [redacted] that he would do this or make an arrangement with someone who could speak for you.

[redacted] stated [redacted] has some material and confidentially, he believes it has some reference to the Sir Harry Oakes case in Nassau. He stated [redacted] would like to have this information checked with the FBI records, and he, [redacted], would appreciate what help we can give to [redacted].

[redacted] inquired if I could see [redacted] that he did not believe it would be necessary for you to see him and I advised that I would be very happy to see him.

[redacted] stated he would have [redacted] call at my office on Friday, October 22nd at 10 o'clock in the morning.

Respectfully,

D. W. Ladd

Mr. Tolson ✓
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Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols ✓
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

October 26, 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. D. M. LADD

Re: SIR HARRY OAKES MURDER CASE,
[REDACTED]

By reference from the Director's Office, the writer received a long distance telephone call made at Buffalo, New York from [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] stated he desired to submit the following information relative to the Sir Harry Oakes murder case. He offered the opinion that Sir Harry, who was killed by a blunt instrument, was probably hit by a steel shaft golf club which had the driving head broken off, forming a triangular shaped instrument at the point where the head was broken. [REDACTED] stated that undoubtedly the instrument could be found on a golf course, hidden in a rain pipe drain. At this point, the informant inquired whether the writer had understood what he had said and when the writer advised "Yes", [REDACTED] hung up the telephone. It was most difficult to understand [REDACTED] as he spoke in a very low voice and ran his words together, giving the impression that he was either somewhat mentally slow or had been drinking.

A check of the Bureau files fails to reflect any information which can be identified with [REDACTED]

ACTION:

In view of the nature of the above information furnished by [REDACTED] no action is being taken other than to make the call a matter of record.

Respectfully,

W. W. Wood

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Nov/15th/1943.

re: "Count" Alfred de Marigney.

Sometime during the month of July and August last year, I personally reported to the F.B.I. Office in Mexico City, on the subversive activities of this Marigney, whose wife Nancy, had a room but two away from mine in the Hospital Americano. At that time I made serious charges such as :

1. Threatening the life of Sir Harry Oakes. To me on four occasions
2. His blasphemy of "That crippled fool" (Our President) "Who is trying to win a War already lost"...
3. His blasphemy of the "STUPID BRITISH". "Who created this war"...
4. His ridicule of the U.S. Army Air Forces... brought about by a photo showing several thousand boys taking an oath not to divulge the bomb sight.. I think it was in LIFE.....
5. His lying statement that he was wounded in this war.....

These above-mentioned statements are well known to Lady Oakes, to
Nacy, the Hospital authorities, [REDACTED] & [REDACTED], [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] ..etc..besides the British Military & Intelligence....

On Friday, July, 9th this year, I tried to contact Mrs Oakes, upon hearing of Oakes death..I did not know then that Mrs Oakes or Nancy were in Maine and that Marigney was in the Bahamas, altho I noted in my diary that MARIGNEY did it...but on the following day was visited by 2 N.Y.City detectives [redacted] & [redacted] who intercepted a letter that I was planning to send Mrs Oakes.. Then began a series of calls between my self and a splendid gentleman [redacted] at Police Headquarters here and as a result thereof, I met a [redacted] who had returned from the funeral.... because of my activities in work that was essential to the Government..(card attached) I could not go to Nassau during the preliminary testimony but felt that IF Mrs Oakes wanted me to state the happenings of Mexico City (where she and I had discussed this matter thoroughly) that I would be pleased to show him (Marigney's premeditated viewpoint on killing Oakes).

The rest is history..how he was allowed to "get away with murder".. and as far as I'm concerned I'm not vitally interested in him or his flaky wife..but..I understand that the louse is planning to befool the fair of this country by barging into this City to bask in reflected glory

with an element that is detrimental to the best interests of this, my country!!

I would ask that he be forbidden entry into this country.....

Regardless of what the trial did not bring out...and I'm pretty certain of what happened that night...as a [REDACTED]

and [REDACTED] I want him kept out of this country because if he comes here, there will be trouble...

His loud-mouthed blasphemy of the Jews.. (of whom he is bitter)
His loud-mouthed blasphemy of our President (FOR WHOM I WILL DIE)
His loud-mouthed blasphemy of the British (who evidently were as "stupid" as he said)

His loud-mouthed blasphemy of the U.S. Army Air Corps
His loud-mouthed disrespect for America and it's Democracy...

These are sufficient Sir.. that he be refused admission to this country.. the country that, at the time of his visit to Mexico.. was an easy target for his ridicule.. but now.. that he might be deported from Massua.. will be a welcome haven...

That lounge-lizard, professional joker of President Roosevelt-jokes that are disrespectful and Nazi-inspired..should not be allowed in.....

I trust that you will take the necessary steps to forbid his entry.

The writer will be at [REDACTED] this Wednesday and in Washington on Thursday and will be more than pleased to discuss this important matter with you,, as I will NOT tolerate his appearance here and herewith place myself on record as such..

Kindest personal regards.

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attention of.
Mr. J. Edgar Hoover.

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

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To: Honorable Adolf A. Berle, Jr.
Assistant Secretary of State

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ON 6/12/80

From: J. Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
Subject: Count Alfred De Marigny

The Bureau is in receipt of a letter dated November 15, 1943, from [redacted], in which [redacted] furnishes certain information regarding Count Alfred De Marigny and his alleged subversive character.

According to [redacted] on four occasions De Marigny threatened the life of Sir Harry Oakes in Mayo's presence. He also claimed that De Marigny made blasphemous statements concerning President Roosevelt, referring to the President as "that crippled fool" and regarding the President as "one who is trying to win a war already lost." He also refers to the British as the "stupid British who created this war." He also states that he heard De Marigny make the statement that he was wounded in the present war, which, according to Mayo, is untrue. It is to be noted that [redacted] is furnishing this information for transmittal to the proper agency for the apparent purpose of blocking the issuance of any visa to De Marigny for the purpose of entering the United States.

[redacted] states that he has furnished the above information regarding De Marigny and his connection with Sir Harry Oakes to Lady Oakes, to Nancy De Marigny, to the hospital authorities, to the British Military and Intelligence Service, and others. He states that on Friday, July 9, 1943, he endeavored to contact Mrs. Oakes upon learning of the death of Sir Harry, at which time he did not know that Mrs. Oakes and Nancy were in Maine and that De Marigny was in the Bahamas. He states that he had been interviewed by two detectives of the New York City Police Department which had intercepted a letter that he had planned to send to Mrs. Oakes. [redacted] states that he, at no time, appeared at any of the proceedings in connection with the trial of De Marigny at London, but advised that if Mrs. Oakes had desired him to testify regarding any of the happenings, as outlined above, which occurred in Mexico City, he would have been pleased to give testimony indicating De Marigny's premeditated viewpoint on killing De Marigny.

[redacted] the remarks of De Marigny, as outlined by [redacted] apparently were made while both were in Mexico on some occasion in the past.

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Dear [REDACTED]

I wish to acknowledge with thanks your letter of November 15, 1943. Please be advised that inasmuch as the matter of granting visas to foreign persons for entrance into the United States is within the jurisdiction of the State Department I have taken the liberty of furnishing the contents of your letter to the appropriate officials of such Department.

Thanking you again for your courtesy in furnishing the information set forth in your communication, I am,

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

[Handwritten signatures and initials]

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. E. A. Tamm
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Glavin
- Mr. Ladd
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both dated as people know by
this locality some years ago for
Greece a fairly young man is a short
name for his real Greek name

I believe Mauns has got away
with Freddie DeMarigny and
is impersonating him

And now it is **HAROLD CHRISTIE**
in the case he seems to be
JOHN DUTCH wanted by the F.B.I.
for bank robbery at Franklin

Ohio "John Dutch" Inside Detective
Jan. 1940 Page 51. **JOHN DUTCH**

It is **JOHN DUTCH** is John
Dutch, there is no question but
what he is responsible for the
death of Harry Oakes and
John Mauns likely said the whole
plot. **FREDDIE DEMAR**

The picture of Freddie DeMar
in *Shocking Detective* November
1943.

FREDDIE DEMARIGNY
does not compare with the picture
of Freddie De Marigny in the issue
of Inside Detective Feb 1944

Now then I will take up the
woman in the case

ESTHER WINNIE RUTH HODD
Esther Winnie Ruth Hudd
Arizona "Escaped" front page old
issue "page 4" I may remember
connecting NANCY OAKES DEMARIGNY
in this case she may be responsible
for the Oakes affair

JANICE BROCKMAN
Jan Janice Brockman
Front-Page May 1940 "Page 18"
She also could pass under name
of Nancy Oakes Demarigny
if he was formerly at Mary's
ville Mo.

Also there is a woman Juanita
Swindle formerly from West
Memphis Ark and Memphis Tenn

She can pass for either the Jew woman
- an or Janice Borek Heenan

Phu again there is a woman
ODESSA DWERS
Odessa West formerly of Prescott

Arizona She spent it with me

ERNEST SIRA
Ernest Sira proprietor of "Whiskey
Row" Prescott are I think Sira

is in the Penitentiary at present
in Arizona the West woman

was in this locality a while back

I believe they had a place at the

of the W. fall ranch here in some
manner but they a family got scared
out

LUCILE WILSON
Phu there is a Lucile Wilson
of Denver she is in the Bureau at

at present a parent in government
work a sister of the Wilson brother

of Alliance with Sira may be a sister
of Sira as long as Sira may have
allied for Voly Wilson ^{Lucile's} Brother
or relative

Also there is a wanted man Philip H
Chadwick F.P.C. 20 M.E.T. 16 ^{he may fit}
into this picture LIT 115

ALBERT EARL WALKER
Also there is Albert Earl Walker

F.P.C. 22 M.E.T. 8

ERICH ALINAN * LIT 114 ^{Inside Fed. 1944} he can pass
very well for Eric Alinan who
prosecuted Freddie De Marigny in
the Harry Oak's case

You can take this for what
it's worth but I have noticed that
these high class crooks work together
and keep ahead of the law in this
manner

Of course this affair is out
side of the jurisdiction of
the United States at the
present time it has a Saboteur
appearance I believe it too two
men to cause the death of Harry Oak's

Remember I am after
that John Marcus

Also note that about Earl Walker

22-M-I-T-C

L-I-T

resembles Eric Habana
prosecution in the Cuban case

As I understand the Bermudas
are controlled by England and
a possible criminal deal of this
kind may cause a discussion
between the British government
and the United States

This affair may be a work
ing matter

ALBERT EARL WALKER



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Court in Confusion

Marigny Counsel Challenges Crown's Fingerprint Evidence

Nassau, Bahamas, Oct. 27 (AP).—The fingerprint evidence with which the crown seeks to convict Alfred de Marigny of the murder of Sir Harry Dakes was challenged as "improper" evidence today and Nassau's most sensational criminal trial was thrown into confusion pending a ruling by the surprised chief justice, Sir Oscar Bedford Daly.

An American investigator had just built up to the climax of the case against the slain millionaire's son-in-law when Defense Counsel Godfrey Higgs arose to question whether a "lifted" fingerprint could be introduced.

As Higgs made his challenge, Sir Oscar inquired:

"Does the defense mean to infer that the fingerprint may be a forgery?"

Higgs replied firmly: "No, sir." Police Capt. James O. Barker of Miami had explained to the jury that he used adhesive rubber to "raise" from the surface of a bed screen in the death room an im-

pression of De Marigny's right little finger for photographing.

This is entirely new evidence, your honor," said Higgs with dramatic unexpectedness. "The best evidence is the screen with the print on it," and he pointed to the figured bedscreen which stood near Sir Harry's bed the night of July 7 when the baronet was beaten and left to die on a blazing bed at his estate, Westbourne.

"There should be no objection to that," commented the robed, be-wigged justice, puzzled by the challenge.

"But there is no print on the screen now," Higgs shouted, adding:

"I can prove that it is improper to raise a print. Now we have only Barker's uncorroborated word that it came from the screen."

"I cannot find a case," Higgs added, "in which a lifted print ever was submitted in evidence."

His is the first time the pro-

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We ought to see that
Miami Office & we here
give Melchen & Barker
a "wide berth" in the
future.

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